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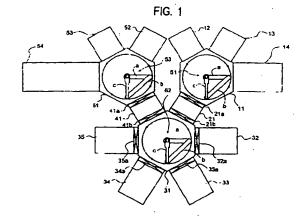
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## (54) System and process for fabricating an organic electro-luminescent display device

The invention provides an organic EL display device fabrication system comprising a loading side normal-pressure delivery chamber 11 including a first substrate delivery means 61 for delivering a substrate with no film formed thereon, and a loading chamber 21 connected thereto for introducing the substrate from loading side normal-pressure delivery chamber 11 at normal pressure into a vacuum delivery chamber 31 at a vacuum. The vacuum delivery chamber 31 is connected to loading chamber 21 and includes a second substrate delivery means 62 for delivering the substrate in a vacuum, and has one or two or more film formation chambers 32 to 35 connected thereto. The system further comprises an unloading chamber 41 connected thereto f r delivering the substrate out of vacuum delivery chamber 31 at a vacuum into an unloading side normalpressure delivery chamber 51 at normal pressure. The unloading side normal-pressure delivery chamber 51 is connected to unloading chamber 41 and includes a third substrate delivery means 63 for delivering a substrate with films form dth reon. An inert gas atmosphere having a moisture content of up t 100 ppm is maintained in both unloading chamber 41 and unloading side normal-pressure delivery-chamber-51-at-normal-pressure-The invention also provides an organic EL display device fabrication process using this fabrication system.





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